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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	PATENT
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Herbert BALTES et al.	:	
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Serial No.: 10/584,713	:	Art Unit: 3754
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Filed: June 26, 2006	:	Examiner: J. F. Hook
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For: PRESSURE ACCUMULATOR,	:	
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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the January 6, 2010 final Office Action, reconsideration of the above-identified application is requested in view of the following comments.

Claims 11-23 are pending in the application, with claim 11 being independent.

Final Rejection is Premature

The Office Action is made final despite the application of new grounds of rejection. These new grounds are allegedly necessitated by the prior Amendment. However, the prior Amendment did not necessitate the new grounds since all of the limitations contained in the new claims, particularly new independent claim 11, are contained within original claims 1 and 2. Withdrawal of the finality of the Office Action is requested.